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25X1 1. [ ] Richard Gimer, in the office of Congressman William J. Scherle (R., Iowa), called on behalf of constituents who are considering engaging Herbert Philbrick as a speaker on Communism. Gimer said they had written to the FBI for information but had simply received a letter in reply acknowledging that Philbrick had been an informant of the Bureau. Gimer wanted to know if we could add anything which would be of assistance to them in replying to the constituents. I informed Gimer that we have no internal security jurisdiction so could give him no information in depth on Philbrick; however, we do know that Philbrick was knowledgeable on the Communist Party as well as Communist doctrines and methods up to the time he was surfaced by the Bureau. I suggested they could probably get more complete information from Frank McNamara, Staff Director, House Committee on Un-American Activities. Gimer thanked me for my assistance.

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